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1. A Colombian Communist Party (PCC) youth representative has received instructions from Jaime BARRIOS Rodriguez prior to making a trip to the Atlantic coast area. In general, he was asked to review the organization of the Communist Party of Colombia (PCC) and the Union of Communist Youth of Colombia (UJCC) in Barranquilla and Cartagena. In the labor field, he is to talk with the representatives of departmental labor federations concerning the calling of a congress designed to integrate all unions. Such a unification program would be based upon conclusions of the meeting held in Barranquilla late in 1953, and would also take into account the new political situation in the country.
2. The youth representative was also requested to ask PCC directors on the coast to make contact with labor groups in the petroleum exploration districts in the department of Atlantico. Thus far, the Party has made no connections in that area. Efforts are to be made to determine the situation and organization of the PCC in the banana region and to try to interest Party leaders there in the formation of youth groups. During recent months there has been a decline in labor organization activity, and the youth leader was instructed to report on the condition of the Party with respect to the National Federation of Maritime, River and Port Transportation Workers (FEDENAL).
3. The final part of the instructions received was concerned with Augusto DURAN. The executive Committee of the PCC has no recent news about the activities of DURAN, and the youth representative was asked to determine what DURAN and his group are doing. Fidel ALVAREZ, UJCC director, is also making the trip, and will devote himself chiefly to youth matters.

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